

## FRANCE.

**THE ARSENAL AT BREST—THE WORK OF THE CHANNEL TUNNEL TO BE COMMENCED—THE SINKING OF THE SHIP ON THE FRENCH SIDE.**

PARIS, Oct. 21, 1875.

A fire has occurred in the arsenal at Brest, which caused damage to the extent of \$200,000.

The work of sinking a shaft to the depth of 100 metres will be begun next week on the French coast, near Calais. This will be the preliminary of operations upon the Channel tunnel.

**THE MINISTRY TO CONSIDER M. ROUBIER'S AJACCIO SPEECH—THE LEFT TO MOVE FOR A DISSOLUTION.**

PARIS, Oct. 21, 1875.

It is stated that the recent speech of M. Roubier at Ajaccio will be made the subject of a discussion in the Council of Ministers to-morrow.

As soon as the Assembly meets the Left intend to move that the date of dissolution may be fixed, hoping thus to procure a vote hostile to M. Buffet.

**APPLICATION TO PROSECUTE ROUBIER FOR AT-TACKING THE PRESIDENT.**

LONDON, Oct. 22—5:30 A. M.

The *Echo* this morning has a special telegram from Paris which contains the following:—

"It is rumored that at the coming session of the Assembly an authorisation will be asked for to prosecute M. Roubier for attacking President MacMahon and the constitution."

## SPAIN.

**SHARKEY ARRIVED AT SANTANDER—THE CORTES TO BE CONVOKED.**

MADRID, Oct. 21, 1875.

Advices from Santander announce that the regular mail steamer from Cuba has arrived there. Sharkey, the murderer, who was a passenger, came ashore.

A royal decree convoking the Cortes will be issued immediately.

## ENGLAND AND CHINA.

**CONCESSIONS BY THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT—CONFIRMATION OF THE REPORT CONCERNING THE SHIPMENT OF POWDER BY ENGLISH MERCHANTS.**

LONDON, Oct. 21, 1875.

The English Foreign Office has received a telegram from Minister Wade, dated Shanghai the 18th inst., in which it is said that the guarantees obtained from the Chinese by the British in the recent negotiations, include the despatch of a mission to England, bearing an apology for the Yunnan outrage and a safe conduct to Burma for the Commissioners of Inquiry. This telegram also confirms the reports previously published that shipments of ammunition have recently been made from London for China, and that Mr. Wade had informed the Foreign Legations that he had insisted upon a better observance of the treaties regarding taxation and trade.

## "UNSER FRITZ."

BERLIN, Oct. 21, 1875.

Prince Frederick William has not yet arrived at any decision in regard to his visit to the Philadelphia Exhibition next year.

## BAVARIA.

MUNICH, Oct. 21, 1875.

A royal decree has been issued, adjourning the Bavarian Diet until further notice.

## SPECIE FOR NEW YORK.

LONDON, Oct. 21, 1875.

The White Star line steamer *Adriatic*, which sailed from Liverpool to-day for New York, took out \$21,000 sterling.

Three thousand dollars in specie were sent to New York by the steamer City of Berlin, which sailed to-day from Liverpool.

## THE FLOODS IN ENGLAND.

**FURTHER PARTICULARS OF THE DAMAGE DONE—THE VALLEY OF THE DON TURNED INTO A LAKE.**

LONDON, Oct. 22—5 A. M.

The morning *Echo* of to-day has additional and interesting details of the late floods. At Sheffield the damage was very serious. The valley of the river Don forms a lake half a mile wide, and fully fifteen miles long. Many cottages and iron works have been flooded. By reason of their consequent stoppage thousands of operatives have been thrown out of employment. Accounts from the valleys of the Wyre, Severn and Churn state that those rivers have also risen to an unusual height, whereby great damage has been inflicted.

## PERU.

**THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION—RIOTING AND BLOODSHED IN LIMA.**

LIMA, Oct. 17, 1875.

The returns from the Presidential elections are generally favorable to Señor Pardo. The elections in this city were attended with serious riots. Several persons were killed or wounded.

## SAN FRANCISCO ELECTIONS.

**THE CITY AND COUNTY ELECTIONS YESTERDAY—OBLITERATION OF PARTY LINES—TRIUMPH OF REPUBLICANS ON THE SCHOOL QUESTION.**

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 21, 1875.

The election yesterday is the cause of general rejoicing to-day. The press is elated with the result of the people's voting outside of the party. The only candidates on which strict party lines were drawn were Carr, the republican, and Fitzgerald, the democratic nominee for State Superintendent of Public Instruction. Carr was elected by a handsome majority, and in his election the division of the school fund was decided.

The judicial elections were a perfect triumph for the people, in spite of strong combinations to oust judges whose fidelity had made them the terror of evil doers. They were, with one exception, all re-elected. This city has elected Davis, Lousierback (police), Maurice Blake (original), M. H. Myrick (prosecutor), S. S. Wright (county), K. P. Morrison, Samuel McKee and W. P. Dangler, District Judges.

Politics were utterly ignored. Democrats voted for republicans and republicans voted for democrats. San Francisco feels very proud, and the outposts are rejoicing that such a result, as well as poor results, can be dealt with by the Judiciary here.

## AN UNINTENTIONAL MURDER.

**THE SON OF MAJOR HICKS SHOOT A STEADY, SOBER SCOTCH ENGINEER, MISTAKING HIM FOR A DESPERATE CHARACTER—COMMITMENT OF HICKS TO PRISON.**

SCRANTON, Pa., Oct. 21, 1875.

This afternoon a young man named E. L. Hicks surrendered himself before Esquire Leach, of the First Ward of this city, on a charge of shooting Mr. Archibald Anderson, a peaceable citizen, while on his way home to Greenridge, last evening. Hicks states that it was about 9:30 o'clock when he met Anderson at a place called Tripp's Ravine, a lonely spot, on the outskirts of Scranton, and fearing he might be a desperado, he drew his revolver and fired. The ball entered Anderson's right side, and passing downward in an oblique direction penetrated the bowels and lodged in the left hip. Neither of the men spoke to the other prior to the shooting. Anderson died this afternoon in great pain. He had been employed for the past six years as engineer at the Diamond Mine, in this city, and was a sober, industrious Scotchman. His murderer, Hicks, is twenty-one years of age, and is a son of Major Hicks, a highly respectable resident of Wyoming, an extensive farmer and stock raiser. Hicks was committed to Wilkesbarre prison, and was removed there this afternoon.

## A FASHIONABLE WEDDING.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Oct. 21, 1875.

The marriage of William W. Curtin, son of ex-governor Curtin, to the only daughter of Judge Harding, took place in St. Stephen's church to-day. A reception was given at the residence of the bride's father after the ceremony. There was an extensive display of presents.

## WASHINGTON.

**FROM OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENT.**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21, 1875.

**ANTICIPATED TROUBLE IN THE CABINET FROM ZACH CHANDLER'S APPOINTMENT—GENERAL COWEN'S HEAD TO BE REMOVED—A WAR WITH BRISTOW AND JEWELL PROBABLE.**

The appointment of Zach Chandler to the Secretaryship of the Interior is going to breed trouble, if not dissension, in the Cabinet. Had the ex-Senator been willing to let matters stand as they are in the Interior Department, affairs might have gone on with smoothness for the time being at least, and the day of trouble been indefinitely deferred. But the determination which the veteran ex-Senator shows to have the head of General Cowen, Delano's Assistant Secretary of the Interior, means war between Chandler on the one side and Bristow and, perhaps, Jewell on the other. General Cowen was strongly pushed for the place of Secretary of the Interior by the Secretary of the Treasury and the Postmaster General, but the President suited his personal pleasure and appointed Chandler, who is a third tier man and a warm supporter of Grant.

Chandler packed his valise and went West to-night to bring back his family to Washington. When he returns he will make the fur fly. His alleged choice for Assistant Secretary being Third Assistant Postmaster General Barber. The inference is taken that he is going to make out a Michigan plate, especially as he was known to be in consultation almost all day with Judge Edmunds, the present Postmaster of Washington. It is understood that General Cowen and Indian Commissioner Smith have, in accordance with the usual custom in such cases, tendered their resignations to the new Secretary as a matter of form.

**THE REPORT OF THE RED CLOUD COMMISSION—TO BE DISSECTED—HOW THE MEMBERS OF THE RING ESCAPED—AN INJURED CONTRACTOR ON THE WARPATH.**

The Red Cloud Committee's whitewash is likely to be sullied again. Samuel Walker, formerly clerk and acting secretary of the Indian Commission, is preparing a statement which will seriously damage the credibility of the Red Cloud Commissioners' report. He will sustain Professor Marsh by documentary proof, some of it written by Agent Seville and supposed to be beyond the reach of his accusers. A singular fact has just come to light. Two or three weeks before the report was finished a man holding an important and confidential position in the Indian Ring told a friend that Bosler and the other members of the contracting ring would escape without censure, but that McCann and the other contractors not in the ring would be severely dealt with. The prediction has proved true in every particular. McCann is writing a statement showing up the Investigating Committee, while members of the ring are preparing for Congressional investigation. Contractor Bosler, Mr. Delano's friend, came down from Carlyle, Pa., last night, and has been in communion with his friends here to-day.

**THE NEW SECRETARY AS A ROMANCEUR.**

Mr. Chandler not only tells good stories about squires, but he has shown himself an admirable romanceur in a political way. He says that when he left Michigan for Washington he had no more idea of being invited to a seat in the Cabinet than he had of going to heaven in a chariot of fire. This is probably accounted for by the fact that he came to New York in the last week in August and had a secret interview with the President, who was then at Long Branch. Delano's letter of resignation was then in Grant's pocket while he arranged for the ex-Senator to succeed him. Then Chandler returned to Michigan, and when he came East with the President he had no idea of being invited to the position.

## GENERAL WASHINGTON DESPACHES.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21, 1875.

**ALABAMA CLAIMS—ACTION OF THE COURT OF COMMISSIONERS.**

In the Court of Commissioners of the Alabama Claims to-day judgments were rendered as follows:—Case 566, Jeremiah Ludlow, of Bridgehampton, Mass., for loss of personal effects, &c., on the Isaac Howland, \$2,200; case 330, Charles E. Sprague, of Wareham, Mass., for loss of personal effects on the Highlander, \$235; case 404, Lorenzo Fisher, of Philadelphia, for loss of photographic apparatus, &c., on the Talsiman, \$1,722 80; case 335, Charles H. Tripp et al., for the loss of the Kingfisher, outfit, oil, &c., \$9,000, to be distributed among the several owners. Cases 338, Fred Adams vs. United States; case 339, Samuel Fyfe vs. United States; case 345, Louis M. L. Michon, of New Orleans, vs. United States, for loss of goods on board the Electric Spark; case 1,753, Joseph Booth et al. vs. United States, for loss of goods on the Electric Spark; case 220, William Sale vs. United States; case 349, A. D. Crocker, administrator, &c., vs. United States; case 1,107, Daniel Howard vs. United States; case 355, Christian H. Matzen, of Baltimore, vs. United States; case 352, George H. Tay et al. vs. United States.

**IMPROVEMENT OF MAIL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE SOUTH.**

Postmaster General Jewell had a long conference to-day with Colonel Thomas A. Scott, who came here at his request to arrange for giving the department all possible facilities on the railroads controlled by the latter in the South and Southwest with a view to still greater despatch in the distribution and connections of mails in those sections. Colonel Scott acquiesced in Governor Jewell's suggestions, and promised to extend all the facilities that may be desired.

**A DECISION ADVERSE TO THE RIGHT OF THE CENTRAL PACIFIC RAILROAD TO MINERAL LANDS.**

The Acting Secretary of the Interior has affirmed the decision of Commissioner Burdett in the case of the Central Pacific Railroad Company vs. the Mammoth Blue Gravel Company. This important decision is to the effect that mineral lands do not pass to the Central Pacific Railroad Company by virtue of its grant; but that the timber upon the mineral lands within its ten miles limit is granted to the road, except so much of it as is necessary to support the improvements of mine owners thereon.

## CROOKED WHISKEY.

**A SENSATION AMONG WHISKY DISTILLERS—A GENERAL PLEA OF GUILTY OF FRAUD—PRESIDENT GALT'S RELATIVES SAID TO BE INVOLVED.**

CINCINNATI, Oct. 21, 1875.

The Gazette's St. Louis special says that quite a sensation developed itself to-day in the fact of every distiller and rectifier, excepting Joutit & Co., pleading guilty to a number of counts in each indictment, and permitting default to be entered in the sum of several hundred thousand dollars, including one lot of 1,300 barrels of whisky belonging to Ulick & Co., and another of 600 barrels, owned by Quilman & Co. The evidence against Joutit is said to be conclusive, but his confession of guilt is held back because he claims that the officials dare not proceed against him, as his partners are relations of the President. Casey, in particular, of New Orleans, is the party alluded to.

There are probably no less than thirty different parties who now stand convicted, and whose term of punishment is in no case less than two years' imprisonment and \$10,000 fine, and some of them may be sentenced to six years and \$30,000 fine.

Though the attorneys for the defendants, as well as those representing the government, say that there has been any compromise in the whiskey cases, here it is generally believed that to-day's proceedings are in accordance with a long and unbroken policy whereby the defendants agree to pay reasonable pecuniary fines and abandon their claim to all whiskey and distillery property under seizure, and the government consents to let further action and save the parties from the penalties of imprisonment by Presidential pardon or other means.

The defendants to-day entered a formal abandonment of the property under seizure here, the value of which will aggregate nearly \$1,000,000, which the government will accept.

It is considered certain that all the indictments against the distillers and rectifiers will be dismissed with a proviso that the defendants shall pay reasonable sums to the government for the cost of the trial.

## FAILURES IN MEMPHIS.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Oct. 21, 1875.

A petition in bankruptcy was filed this afternoon in the United States District Court by Carroll & Karr, attorneys representing the New York creditors, against J. J. W. McKee, a well known trader, Main street. The liabilities are about \$40,000.

A similar petition was also filed against J. D. Williams, a well known trader, Main street. The liabilities are heavy.

## AMUSEMENTS.

**A VON BULOZ REHEARSAL.**

BOSTON, Oct. 21, 1875.

A very singular work was seen to-day by Von Bulow and the orchestra. It is a Russian concerto by a pupil of Rubinstein, named Tchaikovsky, and has never yet been performed in public. It is of singular construction, full of surprises, and withal bearing evidence of a master mind in its effective movements.

The concerto is in E flat, which will be one of the features of the concert to-morrow night, the magnificent concerto in G of Beethoven, who rehearsed over and over again, until one would think that the pianist never would be satisfied. Bulow is a hard taskmaster, and herein shows conscious art. Less gifted musicians would not be so particular about detail; he believes in aiming at perfection in his drill of the orchestra. He has wretched materials to work upon, but he works nevertheless to make something good out of them.

**"THE LILY OF KILLARNEY" AT BOOTH'S THEATRE.**

Sir Julius Benedict's romantic opera, "The Lily of Killarney," based on the story of the "Golfen Bawn," was sung at Booth's Theatre last night by the Kellogg Troupe. The work has not been offered since in this country, and its production last night was something of a novelty, which served to bring together the largest audience of the present season of English opera. The music is light and sparkling, and if without the brilliancy or nerve of the French school, it is replete with the pastoral simplicity of English ballad melody. The play loses much of its dramatic force in the opera and it is only the melody which saves the piece from becoming tiresome. Few works have so many airs suited to the popular taste, and while the opera does not take high musical rank, the frequency of its arias win for it a success which it could not otherwise obtain. Like the play, it is capable of very effective stage setting, and the scenery and appointments last night were better than on any previous occasion. So excellent was the presentation of the piece in this respect that it is to be regretted that the tragic drowning scene at the close of the second act should have been almost destroyed by the slowness of the action. Musically the success of the work has not been offered since in this country, and its production last night was something of a novelty, which served to bring together the largest audience of the present season of English opera. The music is light and sparkling, and if without the brilliancy or nerve of the French school, it is replete with the pastoral simplicity of English ballad melody. The play loses much of its dramatic force in the opera and it is only the melody which saves the piece from becoming tiresome. 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